

KEYSPAN ENERGY DELIVERY NEW ENGLAND  
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FIRST SET OF INFORMATION REQUESTS OF THE  
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- Q. Refer to p. 75. Will the Company issue an RFP if it decides to extend the BP Canada, NEXEN Marketing and Imperial Inc. contracts to determine the least cost alternatives? If not, please explain why.
- A. When the Company makes its decision on whether to extend the BP Canada, NEXEN Marketing, Imperial Inc. and associated transportation contracts, it will also make the determination as to whether or not to issue an RFP. Historically, the Company has participated in the joint RFP solicitation process for its BP Canada and NEXEN Marketing volumes via the Northeast Gas Markets ("NEGM") consortium, and at this time, the Company expects to continue with that approach. The decision on the Imperial Inc. volumes is linked with the associated Maritimes U.S. and Canada pipeline capacity. The Company must notify Maritimes of its renewal decision for the pipeline capacity by March 31, 2006. Therefore, the decision on whether or not to issue an RFP related to the Imperial supply volumes will be a function of the Company's decision on whether or not to renew the Maritimes pipeline capacity.